

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1058

By Fowler

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Glenda Mayes for her meritorious service to Tennessee as administrative assistant to Senator David Fowler.

WHEREAS, David Fowler has been and is a blessed man; and

WHEREAS, one of those blessings is his administrative assistant, Glenda Mayes; and

WHEREAS, Glenda Mayes, who had no prior legislative experience, came to work for a politically inexperienced legislator who was of no help to her in her new position as an administrative assistant, and

WHEREAS, due to her great work ethic, Mrs. Mayes soon had her office and Senator Fowler organized and running smoothly, and she has maintained that atmosphere, notwithstanding Senator Fowler's penchant for disorganization; and

WHEREAS, her professional acumen, undergirded by her strong Christian commitment, has made for a special working relationship for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mayes worked hard to "learn the system," and in keeping with her helpful spirit and "team first" attitude, she even became a tutor to other new employees on the third floor of the War Memorial Building; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mayes has been more than excellent in fulfilling the technical requirements of her position; she has been a faithful friend, a trustworthy confidante, a prudent advisor, a devoted supporter, a great office decorator, a fierce protector of Senator Fowler's physical and mental health by her work on his schedule, and a consistent prayer warrior for him; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mayes has handled her relationships with constituents with the utmost professionalism, resulting in praise for her work from those whom she has served, especially

Gilbert Gnarley, who is universally acclaimed by those on the third floor to be the most unusual constituent of any Senator; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mayes, in 12 years, has never once complained about any task or responsibility given her, allowing Senator Fowler to focus on his legislative responsibilities and thereby allowing him to serve his district better than he otherwise could have; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mayes has received the support of her husband of 37 years, Larry Mayes, which support has redounded to the benefit of Senator Fowler, who is most grateful for this good fortune; and

WHEREAS, Senator Fowler is without words sufficient to state adequately his heartfelt gratitude for the work and person of Glenda Mayes; and

WHEREAS, to underscore the depth of his gratitude, Senator Fowler finds it helpful to have added to these words the weight of approval that comes from the concurrence of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Glenda Mayes for her meritorious service to Senator David Fowler and to the citizens of this State and by that service her contribution to the welfare of this State. We further express to her our best wishes for God's blessing and direction in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.